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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Peter BAEUERLE et al.
Serial No. : 09/976,788
Filed : October 12, 2001
For : METHOD FOR OPERATING A TORQUE-CONVERTER
LOCKUP CLUTCH FOR A HYDRODYNAMIC TORQUE
CONVERTER AND CONTROL DEVICE FOR
IMPLEMENTING THE METHOD

Examiner : Brian J. Broadhead
Art Unit : 3661
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action of April 23, 2003, enclosed herewith is
an amendment.

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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 30 | minus | 20 | 10 | 18.00 | 180.00 |
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| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ADDED | | | | | 280.00 | |
| | | | | TOTAL | | \$264.00 |
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Please charge the fee for three additional independent claims in the amount of \$264.00 and any additional charges to Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

S I R:

This paper addresses the Office Action of April 23, 2003, in
connection with the above-captioned application. Please amend the
above-captioned application as set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 7 without prejudice as follows:

7. (Twice Amended) The method as recited in Claim 4, where the slip to be
used as a new initial value, as a basis for the applied input torque (E) is calculated
from the applied input torque (E), taking a performance figure of the torque converter
(1) into consideration.

Please add new claims 16 to 30 as follows:

--16. (New) A method for operating a torque-converter lockup clutch for a
hydrodynamic torque converter, comprising:

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